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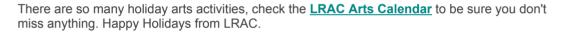
LRAC December Art Headlines

LRAC December News Briefs

LRAC welcomes Linda Gaugert of Alexandria to our Board. Linda will be serving on behalf of Douglas County. As a visual artist and owner for many years of Three Havens Art Gallery, Linda is looking forward to supporting the arts in our region. Thanks Linda, we will look forward to working with you.

As part of the Fergus Falls Holiday Art Crawl, the LRAC Main Gallery will be open Saturday, Dec. 2 from 12 to 2 pm. We will be serving cider and cookies. This will be the only time we will be open on a Saturday in December and is an excellent opportunity to see work currently on exhibit





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LRAC Holiday Office Hours

Closing for the Holidays

Happy Holidays from LRAC

In order to celebrate Christmas with our families, the LRAC office will be closing at noon on Friday, December 22nd. We will out of the office December 25th through January 1st.

We'll be back to work on Tuesday, January 2, 2018.



Featured Event

The Longest Night Music Festival December 21, 7:00 p.m. Free admission New York Mills Regional Cultural Center 24 N Main Avenue / P.O. Box 246 New York Mills, MN 56567 Telephone: (218) 385-3339 http://www.kulcher.org/



This annual winter solstice celebration features a lineup of local and regional musicians, each performing several songs for a full night of music, conversations, and connections. The Longest Night Festival is the finale to the NY Mills Cultural Center's fall concert series.



List of featured musicians: Ben Ranson, Chasing Clarence, Dave Virnala, Wadena Puppeteers, The Longest Night House Band, Day Gun, Laurie Kallevig,

Longest Night Music Festival Details

Featured Artist

Sean Scott Pomme de Terre Pottery

2017/18 LRAC Arts Resource Expert Cohort member

Sean Scott has served as a LRAC Artist Mentor, recipient of multiple LRAC grants and a LRAC Fellowship. Sean has taught pottery classes in local schools, senior centers and a variety of other venues. He is also a member of the Art of the Lakes.



Sean Scott, Potter A.R.E. Cohort member

This year, Sean is one of 10 artists participating in the LRAC Arts Resource Experts Cohort. The Cohort artists will be taking part in a series of activities such as workshops and individual career planning sessions. These activities focus on career development and setting and achieving career goals.

Sean's work can be seen at Pomme de Terre Pottery's website.

Pomme de Terre Pottery

LRAC Gallery Exhibits

Main Gallery
"Donald Clark & Wil Shynkaruk Exhibit"
Oct. 11 through Dec. 22
LRAC Gallery Hours, M-F, 9-5

Featuring works created by Donald Clark, photographer and faculty at MSU, Moorhead, School of Media Arts and Design and Wil Shynkaruk, ceramic artist and faculty at MSU, Moorhead, School of Art.



Jar by Wil Shynkaruk

The exhibit is a creative mix of photography and ceramics, playing the visual images of the photographs off the three dimensional shapes and colors of the ceramic pieces.

Watch an artist talk video here: Video Wil Shynkuruk

Solo Gallery "Nikki Tucker, Solo Artist Exhibit" Dec. 1, 2017 - Jan. 31, 2018 Artist Talk & Reception, Jan. 16, 5-7 pm LRAC Gallery Hours, M-F, 9-5

Oil by Nikki Tucker

During December and January, the LRAC Solo gallery will feature the work of Nikki Tucker. Tucker resides in Barrett, MN. Her work is primarily in oils, capturing realistic landscapes and portraits.

Nikki will be giving an artist talk at the Gallery reception on Jan. 16, 5-7 pm. Public welcome.

"I don't have a need to alter the frank, glorious, arresting beauty already available to us on this earth, so I make it my work to capture it exactly as I see it to the best of my ability." -Nikki Tucker

View Nikki's work by clicking here.

LRAC Project Grants

\$12.257 Awarded to Six Grants

Six organizations in the LRAC region were awarded \$12,257 at the Fall Project Grant Review at the LRAC October Board Meeting. From a Screen Dancing performance to traditional Swedish folk music, from Art Makerspace workshops to a Ceramic artist residency, the Fall Project Grant funding makes an impact in the LRAC region.



To Read the full article Click Here.

Spring Project Grant Round Open for Applications

\$18, 835 to be awarded in March 2018

Register for the Spring Project Grant Writing Webinar to be offered on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 4:00 pm. From the comfort of your home or office, you may participate in the webinar without driving to Fergus Falls. The webinar is free and

participants will need to register for the webinar in order to view it online



Register for the Project Grant Writing Webinar.

LRAC Operating Support Grant 2018

Start Planning Now for the 2018

\$42,500 Available for Arts Organizations in the LRAC region. As 2017 is winding down, it's time to start planning for your arts organization's 2018 financial needs.



Important Highlights

December 15, 2017, FY17 Operating Support Grant Final Report Due January 9, 2017, FY18 Operating Support Grant Application Deadline January 16, 2017 FY17 Operating Support Final Report Board Review, (20% Payment) February 20, 2018, FY18 Operating Support Grant Application Board Review, (80%)

Need to know more?

Contact the LRAC office Check out the LRAC Operating Support Grant Guidelines. Check out the LRAC Operating Support Tip Sheet.

Looking Ahead to Spring

Time to Start Planning Your Next Project

LRAC will be awarding over \$179,000 in the next six months through five grant programs. Don't miss this opportunity to fund your next great idea!

2018 Grant Awards

- Operating Support, \$42,500, Deadline January 9, 2018 (Arts Organizations)
- **Project Grant: \$18,395,** Deadline, February 6, 2018 (Organizations)
- Legacy Grant: \$106,015, Deadline March 6, 2018 (Individuals & Organizations)
- Career Development, grants for up to \$1,200 each, Deadline April 3, 2018 (Individuals)
- Fellowship Grant, \$5,000 to one musician or visual artist, Deadline May 8, 2018



Why not start your research now!

Here are some suggestions for getting a jump on the Spring grant round.

- 1. Read the Grant Guidelines.
- 2. Watch the Grant Writing Webinars
- 3. Check out the Grant Writing Tip Sheets
- 4. Contact the LRAC office to discuss your potential project.

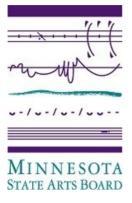
Check out the LRAC4.org website for more information on LRAC Grant programs.

MN State Arts Board Looking ahead to 2018

2019 MSAB Operating Support Grant

Operating Support provides general operating support to high quality, established arts organizations that produce, present, or exhibit works of art; to organizations that provide a broad range of services to artists; and to community arts schools and conservatories that make arts learning available to Minnesotans of all ages and abilities.

MSAB is offering a free one-hour Webinar to help applicants prepare to apply for the Operating Support grant program. This session will be particularly helpful for first-time applicants.



Application deadline

FY 2019 application deadline is January 19, 2018. Funds must be expended by June 30, 2019

Register MSAB Webinar

Regional Opportunities Something to Think About...



Minnesota Foundations 2018 will present the most up to date information on the changes taking place in Minnesota's foundation community.

Event Details

Wednesday, December 13, 1 - 4:30 p.m. West Central Initiative, Fergus Falls \$75 for MCN members / \$125 for nonmembers Join West Central MN Foundations!

The session will begin, 1 - 2:30 p.m., with a focus on foundations with statewide giving priorities. This portion of the session will take place live in St. Paul and will be broadcast statewide to our locations in Bemidji, Duluth, Fergus Falls, Mankato, Rochester and Sartell.

The session will continue live in Fergus Falls from 2:45 - 4:30 p.m., with a focus on foundations that give primarily in this region. Each venue will include onsite panels to address local and regional giving.

Learn more about all seven Minnesota Foundations regional offerings at the Minnesota Council for Non Profits website.

Fergus Falls Meeting

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